

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AUSTIN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

v.

**GREG ABBOTT, in his capacity as
Governor of the State of Texas, and THE
STATE OF TEXAS,**
Defendants.

No. 1:23-cv-00853-DAE

**DEFENDANTS' UNOPPOSED MOTION TO WITHDRAW
ARI CUENIN AS COUNSEL**

Pursuant to Local Rule AT-3, Defendants Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas, and the State of Texas (collectively, "State Defendants") file this file this Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Ari Cuenin as their attorney in this matter.

Ari Cuenin has accepted a position outside the Office of the Attorney General of Texas, and the State Defendants respectfully request that he be withdrawn as their counsel. They will continue to be represented by co-counsel listed below. This withdrawal will not delay any proceedings. This motion is unopposed.

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Certificate of Conference

I certify that on January 29, 2024, I conferred by email with all counsel for Plaintiff, who indicated no opposition to this motion.

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Certificate of Service

On January 29, 2024, this document was filed electronically through the Court's CM/ECF system, which automatically serves all counsel of record.

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